The Way To Be Blessed

(Part 5)

More Scriptures will teach us the way to be blessed.

"Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the one whose sin the LORD does not count against them and in whose spirit is no deceit." (Psalm 32:1-2)

Christ came to the world to save sinners and bring them back to God. All mankind were lost but God made a way when He sent His Son the Lord Jesus Christ who died on the cross for all mankind sins. By the work of Jesus Christ on the cross we have the access to reach God. Apostle Paul wrote, "Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the worst. But for that very reason I was shown mercy so that in me, the worst of sinners, Christ Jesus might display his immense patience as an example for those who would believe in him and receive eternal life. Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen." (1Timothy 1:15-17) Jesus took our sins and nailed them on the cross; we are justified by the work of Jesus on the cross. As we repent and receive Christ as Saviour and Lord over our lives our sins are covered and we will not be reminded of our sinful past. That is how the way God pours out His blessings on our lives. And those blessings will continue to be in our lives as long as we are in repentance and there is no deceit in our spirits. The Salvation of Jesus is free and that is the grace of God but we need to be in repentance. When there is sin in your lives and when there is deceit and bitterness in your spirits then you are not blessed because in such situation your transgression are not covered and you are not Justified before God unless you repent.

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people he chose for his inheritance." (Psalm 33:12) The followers of God who has faith on Him through Christ, and we among them, is the nation of God and are blessed. Those who came out from the world and drawn near to God form what is called the church, the blessed nation of God. God promised us the Kingdom of God and He put us in His church on earth till we are with Him in heaven. Therefore to be part of the church and to do your part to live and be good testimony; to attend regularly and to contribute physically, financially and in every way possible is the way that you can receive God's blessings and be blessed.

"I waited patiently for the LORD; he turned to me and heard my cry. He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; he set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand. He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God. Many will see and fear the LORD and put their trust in him. Blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD, who does not look to the proud, to those who turn aside to false gods." (Psalm 40:1-4) This is a Psalm for King David who had tasted the goodness of the Lord and how finally the Lord delivered him from all His troubles and problems. David trusted in the Lord that He will help him and solve his problems, and truly the Lord lifted David out from the mire and set his feet on a rock and gave him firm place to stand. He was blessed because he trusted in the Lord and did not turn to find help from men and false gods. The same for you, even in the difficult situation that you are right now passing in your life trust Him fully and He will deliver you. Don't try to seek help from men and try to use wrong ways that false gods approve. Such things might give you temporal relief but it will not give you radical solution; instead you will

find yourself solving one problem but falling into another. But if you fully trusting in the Lord He will not abandoned you and you will be completely delivered from all your troubles and you will stand on a firm ground and be stable in your life. Truly those among us who will be trusting the Lord for their lives and lean on Him they will be truly blessed.

"Blessed is he who has regard for the weak; the LORD delivers him in times of trouble." (Psalm 41:1) As we receive the love of God who was so merciful to us to forgive us our sins and our trespasses, our hearts will be transformed and we shall carry the same love and mindful attitude toward the weak who are around us. We ought to be considerate and understanding for each and everyone struggle or hardship. Such kind of attitude will lead us and enable us to provide and give services to the community who are around us. God call us to be a blessing to others. We will be moving to share what God gave to us with those who are in need, "A generous man will himself be blessed, for he shares his food with the poor." (Proverbs 22:9) The following we can share:

- 1- We can pray for the people and intercede for their behalf and ask the Lord to reveal Himself to them and satisfied their needs.
- 2- We can share with them the message of Salvation, that Jesus had died for their sins to give them eternal life.
- 3- We can advice them and instruct them from the word of God so their problems would be solved and will have the right direction in their lives.
- 4- We can share with them material aids like sharing with them our food, give them dress to cover them, a place for lodging, transport to carry them, medical aid, medicine, etc.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy." (Matthew 5:7) We will be rewarded by the Lord for every mindful act that we give to the people whom the Lord had placed around us. Jesus said the following: "I tell you the truth, anyone who gives you a cup of water in my name because you belong to Christ will certainly not lose his reward." (Mark 9:41) We will be rewarded for every kindful act that we will do for the Lord. The word of God also admonish us the following: "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers." (Galatians 6:9-10) We will be repaid by the Lord for all the good work that we are doing, "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving." (Colossians 3:23-24)

My Dear and Beloved: But we must understand one thing that our good work is not a mean for us for salvation but is the fruit of our rebirth by the Spirit after our repentance and our faith in Christ Jesus our Lord as the Scripture states, "For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." (Ephesians 2:8-10) You will blessed as you obey and agree to pray.

My Prayer: Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins to give me eternal life. Lord I thank you for your word that teaches me clearly your ways. Lord I repent, please cleanse me form the following sins ______. I commit myself to fully trusting you and to comply with your word and will, this is my prayer in Jesus name Amen.